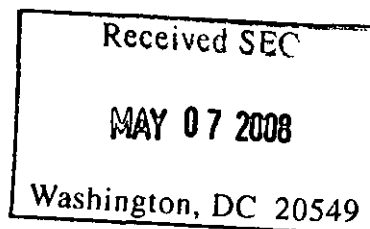


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Dear Ms. Smith:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, HSBC HOLDINGS PLC, 8.125% Perpetual Subordinated Capital Securities and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on May 5, 2008. Tentative listing date - May 9, 2008.

Sincerely,



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